

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1908**

**Introduced by Assembly Member Karnette**

January 26, 2006

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An act to add Section 14105.16 to the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to Medi-Cal.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1908, as introduced, Karnette. Medi-Cal: pharmacy reimbursement.

Existing law provides for the Medi-Cal program, which is administered by the State Department of Health Services, pursuant to which medical benefits, including prescription drugs, are provided to public assistance recipients and certain other low-income persons.

This bill would require the department to reimburse for medications provided to Medi-Cal recipients for intravenous or infusion drug therapy in a manner that is consistent with the services provided, in order to ensure that patients receiving these services continue to receive appropriate care and continuity of their drug regimen.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 14105.16 is added to the Welfare and
- 2 Institutions Code, to read:
- 3 14105.16. The department shall reimburse for medications
- 4 provided to Medi-Cal recipients for intravenous or infusion drug
- 5 therapy in a manner that is consistent with the services provided,

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